REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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AGENDA SECTION: Consent Agenda	ORIGINATING DEPT: City Administrator	D-3
ITEM DESCRIPTION Extension of Joint Powers Agreement between the City of Rochester and MHFA for the administration of the Housing Tax Credit Program		PREPARED BY: T. Spaeth

There is presently a Joint Powers Agreement between the City of Rochester and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) for the year 2003 Tax Credit program wherein the MHFA reviews and scores applications for housing tax credits based upon the MHFA's Qualified Allocation Plan (Several years ago, the City also adopted the MHFA's Qualified Allocation Plan, rather than have it's own separate Plan.). MHFA in return, will collect the application and scoring fees from the applicants to cover their expenses.

The reason for this agreement is to provide a greater efficiency by having the applicants work directly with MHFA staff, rather than through the sub-allocators (such as City of Rochester) for application for tax credits and the day to day program administration.

This arrangement has worked out well for the past several years, and staff is seeking Council approval to extend the terms of the Joint Powers Agreement for the 2004 tax credits, with the same terms as the present agreement.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Adopt Resolution to approve the MHFA's Qualified Allocation Plan and an amendment extending the term of MHFA Housing Tax Credit Administration Joint Powers Agreement for 2004 and directing Mayor and City Clerk to execute amendment on behalf of the City of Rochester.

COUNCIL ACTION: Motion by:	Second by:	to:	

